



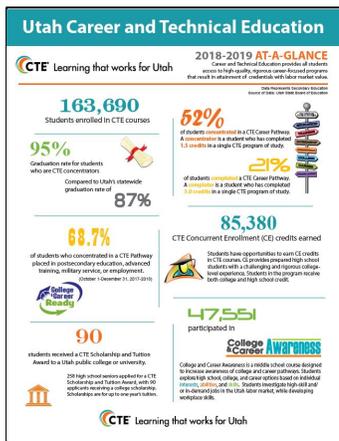
CTE DIRECTIONS

Career and Technical Education (CTE) News and Information

December 2019

Career and Technical Education provides all students access to high-quality, rigorous career-focused programs that result in attainment of credentials with labor market value.

Utah CTE At-A-Glance



During the 2018-2019 school year, do you know how many Utah students were enrolled in CTE courses? Do you know the graduation rate for students who were CTE concentrators? Do you know how many CTE Skill Certifications were awarded to students? The 2018-2019 [Utah CTE At-A-Glance](#) answers these questions and highlights the success of Utah CTE.

Here are the answers to the questions above:

- 163,690 students were enrolled in CTE courses.
- 95% graduation rate for students who were CTE concentrators.
- 121,835 students were awarded a CTE Skill Certification.

Next month, the CTE At-A-Glance for each LEA and CTE Region will be available on the Web, highlighting 2018-2019 data. The documents will be located on the [Publications for Print/Region Publications](#) webpage. This document is a great resource to advocate for CTE and promote the CTE programs in your school.

Student Highlight: Gracie Wilkinson

Gracie Wilkinson, a graduate of Wasatch High School, is a [Utah FFA](#) state officer who is grateful for what she has learned in CTE. Here is her story.

“I valued my time in CTE courses because they differed greatly from my other classes while in high school. My first CTE course was Ag Biology. Because of this class I took my freshmen year, it led me to joining FFA, as well as beginning showing sheep in the livestock fair. My experience with my sheep taught me so much about hard work and animal care.

“I am grateful for the hands-on learning given to me through CTE because it helped me recognize many of my passions and agriculture interests. CTE courses introduce you to so many new things, as well as teach you about yourself,” said Gracie.



National FFA Facts:

- 669,989 members in 8,568 chapters.
- 35% of FFA membership is female.
- 66% of FFA women hold state leadership positions.

More than 13,000 FFA advisors and agriculture teachers deliver an integrated model of agricultural education, providing students with innovative and leading-edge education and enabling them to grow into competent leaders.

Read the collaborative study between the National FFA Organization and Purdue University: [Exploring the Employability Skills and Academic Success of the National FFA Membership](#).

Apprenticeships



An apprenticeship is an “earn and learn” training model that combines work-based learning with related classroom instruction. Apprentices get paid to learn on the job and employers build a strong, skilled workforce. Most apprenticeship opportunities include on-the-job training and classroom instruction provided by apprenticeship training centers, technical schools, community colleges, and four-year colleges.

In an effort to enhance and increase an apprenticeship presence in Utah, the Utah Department of Workforce Services (DWS) is working on several initiatives to highlight, promote, and support apprenticeships.

You can [find an apprenticeship](#) in Utah, [view registered apprenticeships](#), and take a free assessment to see if a [Silicon Slopes Apprenti program](#) is right for you.

Connect with DWS and the Apprenticeships Program:

- DWS Website: <https://jobs.utah.gov/apprenticeship>
- Facebook: @ApprenticeshipUtah
- Twitter: @ApprenticeUtah

CTE Communication Café

Join UEN for a virtual meet-up for a monthly educational discussion about Career and Technical Education. To register, email resources@uen.org.

Who: Members of the education community

What: Discussion about CTE

When: December 20, 2019 from 2-3 p.m.

Where: WebEx

Topic: Research Round-up



UEN PDTV Highlights San Juan County



Did you know? San Juan County is the largest county in Utah and is the size of Massachusetts.

UEN recently traveled from Salt Lake City to San Juan County to learn about CTE and the educational technology innovations from rural Utah schools. In this twenty-minute episode you will learn how the San Juan School District is using instructional technology and other technology to meet the needs of their learners in this area.

Watch the episode at <https://youtu.be/-hGPhpqGS8k>.

Calendar:

December 5: [Utah State Board of Education](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

December 9-15: [Computer Science Education Week](#) | [Hour of Code](#)

December 12: [Utah State Charter School Board](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

[Utah CTE Calendar](#) | [ACTE Calendar](#) | [Utah School Calendars](#)

Utah CTE classes are open to all qualified students without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age.

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